

Fox tail palm - Plant



The Foxtail Palm tree, also known as *Wodyetia bifurcata*, is a majestic, fast-growing palm native to Australia.

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Sales price R 780

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Description The smooth, light-grey to light-brown trunk is 12 to 18 inches in diameter, thicker at the base. The crown-shaft is 3 feet tall, bluish green in color. The crown is formed by eight to ten arching evergreen fronds that emerge from the crown-shaft. Like the name suggests, the palm fronds resemble the tail of a fox. The leaflets are wedge-shaped with jagged ends and dark green to bluish green in color in top, silvery underneath.

Height: Up to 40 feet.

Difficulty level: Easy to grow.

Planting & Care

Sunlight: Full sun to partial shade.

Soil: well draining and not highly acidic.

Water: Keep the soil moist.

Temperature: Can survive up to 30 degrees F minimum.

Fertilizer: Controlled release of fertilizer is preferable to rapid release, water soluble fertilizer, as the latter moves through the soil too quickly to benefit the deep and spreading root system.

Care:

- The foxtail palm tree prefers a humid environment which may be provided by nearby fountains or pebble trays in the immediate area where it is grown.
- Caring for foxtail palms should include mulching, but mulch should not hug the trunk.
- Mulching helps retain moisture and discourages maintenance workers from accidentally injuring the trunk with mowers and trimmers.
- It also keeps weed growth down in the area of the foxtail palm tree.

Use

Ornamental use:

- The foxtail palm tree is suitable for container growing and may be used as an interior planting if correct growing conditions exist.
- Foxtail palm trees add majestic tropical appeal to residential and commercial landscape designs.
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Reference:

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